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1. A MEETING OF "PREPARATORY COMMITTEE" ON CREATION OF AN ASSOCIATION OF IRON ORE EXPORTING COUNTRIES WILL BE HELD IN NEW DELHI JANUARY 13-15. AS ENVISIONED IN "MINISTERIAL DECLARATION" ISSUED IN GENEVA NOVEMBER 6 (REFTEL) INDIAN COMMERCE SECRETARY Y.T. SHAH WILL HOST MEETING.

2. WE TALKED WITH MINISTRY OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR RAJ PAL TO TRY TO FIND OUT WHAT INDIA'S OBJECTIVES ARE. HE WAS EVASIVE ABOUT WHAT THE INDIANS WOULD LIKE TO SEE EMERGE FROM THE JANUARY MEETING AND ABOUT INDIA'S VIEWS OF THE ROLE OF AN ASSOCIATION OF IRON ORE EXPORTING COUNTRIES. RAJ PAL SAID ONLY THAT INDIA IS GOING INTO THE JANUARY TALKS WITH AN "OPEN MIND". WE GATHERED THAT INDIA STILL WANTS TO TAKE THE LEAD AMONG IRON ORE EXPORTERS AND FAVORS A CARTEL ARRANGEMENT TO IMPROVE ORE EXPORTERS' TERMS OF TRADE BUT DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO PROCEED. AT ANY RATE, RAJ PAL SAID THE ASSOCIATION WOULD NOT BE AN OPEC.

3. RAJ PAL WOULD NOT SAY WHAT COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN INVITED, WHICH HAVE ACCEPTED, OR WHICH, IF ANY, HAVE DECLINED. HOWEVER, BRAZILIAN AMBASSADOR TOLD US LATER THAT INDIANS TOLD HIM THEY EXPECT 17 OR 18 COUNTRIES TO ATTEND.
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